IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA WESTERN DIVISION

North Carolina Democratic Party,

Plaintiff,

v.

North Carolina State Board of Elections; Karen Brinson Bell, in her official capacity as Executive Director of the North Carolina State Board of Elections; Alan Hirsch, in his official capacity as Chair of the North Carolina State Board of Elections; Jeff Carmon, in his official capacity as Secretary of the North Carolina State Board of Elections; and Stacy Eggers IV, Kevin N. Lewis, and Siobhan O'Duffy Millen, in their official capacities as members of the North Carolina State Board of Elections,

Defendants.

Case No. 5:24-cv-699-M-KS

ORAL ARGUMENT REQUESTED

PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR A PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION AND TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER

Pursuant to Rule 65 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, plaintiff the North Carolina Democratic Party moves for a preliminary injunction and a temporary restraining order, enjoining defendants and all persons acting in concert with them from doing any of the following:

- (1) Carrying out any process by which voters must cure or otherwise verify ballots cast in the November 2024 election for Justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court;
- (2) Discarding or discounting any votes cast in that election; or
- (3) Certifying that election for Judge Jefferson Griffin.

Plaintiff respectfully requests that the Court waive the security requirement in Rule 65(c) of the Federal rules of Civil Procedure.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

On this 14th day of April, 2025, I electronically filed the foregoing document using the court's CM/ECF system.

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